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SUBJECT: EC/EFTA RULES OF ORIGIN

REF: STATE 7330; STATE 7333

1. BY NOTES DATED JANUARY 14 EMBASSY INFORMED SWISS
FEDERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF US REQUEST FOR
ART XXII:1 CONSULTATIONS ON RULES OF ORIGIN. ON
JAN 15 EMBOFF MET WITH DIVISION OF COMMERCE OFFICIAL
RESPONSIBLE FOR GATT AFFAIRS (DUNKEL) AND PROVIDED
COPIES EMBASSY NOTES.

2. DUNKEL, IN PRELIMINARY REACTION, SAID GOS WOULD
OF COURSE TAKE ACTIVE PART IN CONSULTATIONS, ALONG
LINES VIEWS HE EXPRESSED PREVIOUSLY (GENEVA 6731),
DUNKEL THOUGHT THAT PROCEDURAL ASPECT OF ORGANIZING
CONSULTATIONS WOULD HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED CAREFULLY
AND ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT IN CONSULTATIONS US REPS
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WOULD EMPHASIZE PARTICULAR PROBLEMS RATHER THAN BROAD

GENERAL PRINCIPLES.

3. DUNKEL SAID HE UNDER IMPRESSION THAT EC MIGHT STILL AGREE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW ROKING PARTY TO CONSIDER RULES OF ORIGIN IN FREE-TRADE AREAS. HE ALSO COMMENTED THAT HE THOUGHT IT VERY IMPORTANT THAT US REQUEST FOR ART XXII CONSULTATIONS WAS ADDRESSED TO EFTA COUNTRIES AND NOT JUST EC. UNDER FREE-TRADE AREA ARRANGEMENT GOS COULD NOT ACCEPT ANY SITUATION WHERE EC SPOKE ON ITS BEHALF. BY SAME TOKEN SOME SORT OF ORIGIN RULES WERE ESSENTIAL SO THAT EACH PARTICIPANT COULD RETAIN FULL TARIFF AUTONOMY WHILE AVOIDING UNDUE TRADE DISTORTION EFFECTS.

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